Hadron-Φ(1020) Angular Correlations in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13.6$ TeV in ALICE Run 3

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Overview

- Motivation
- Methodology
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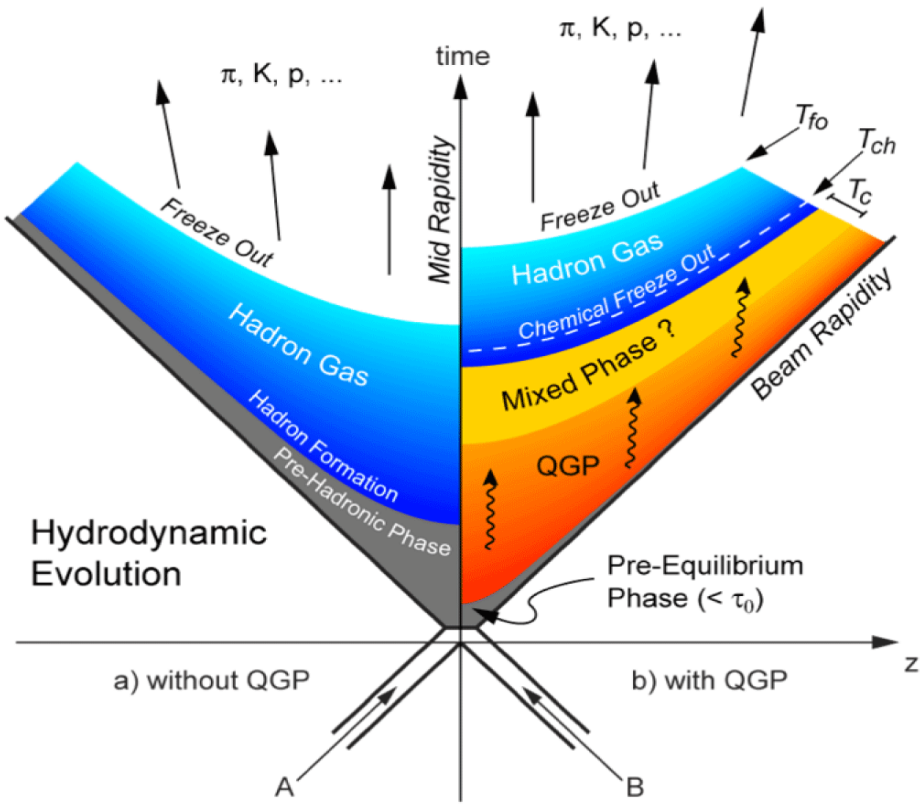
- Summary

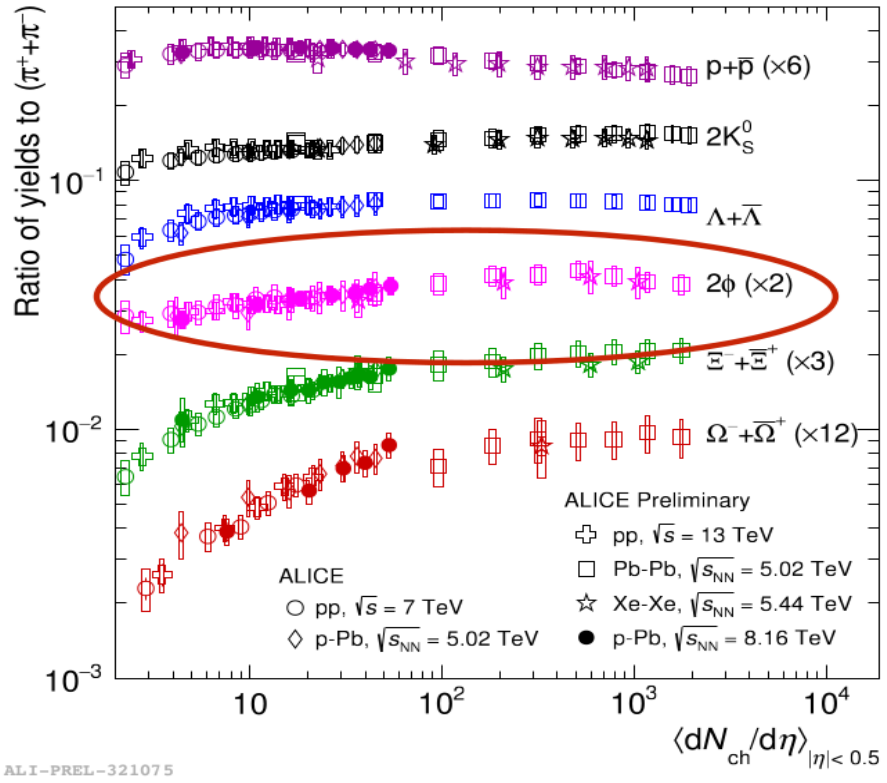
Motivation (QGP formation)

- Relativistic heavy ion collisions
  $\rightarrow$ Quark Gluon Plasma(QGP)
- Signatures of QGP.
  - Strangeness Enhancement
  - Jet quenching
  - Collective flow
  - ...
- Small systems(p-p, p-Pb)
  $\rightarrow$ QGP formation not yet completely established.
- Some signatures are present
  $\rightarrow$ evidence of the formation of "QGP droplets"



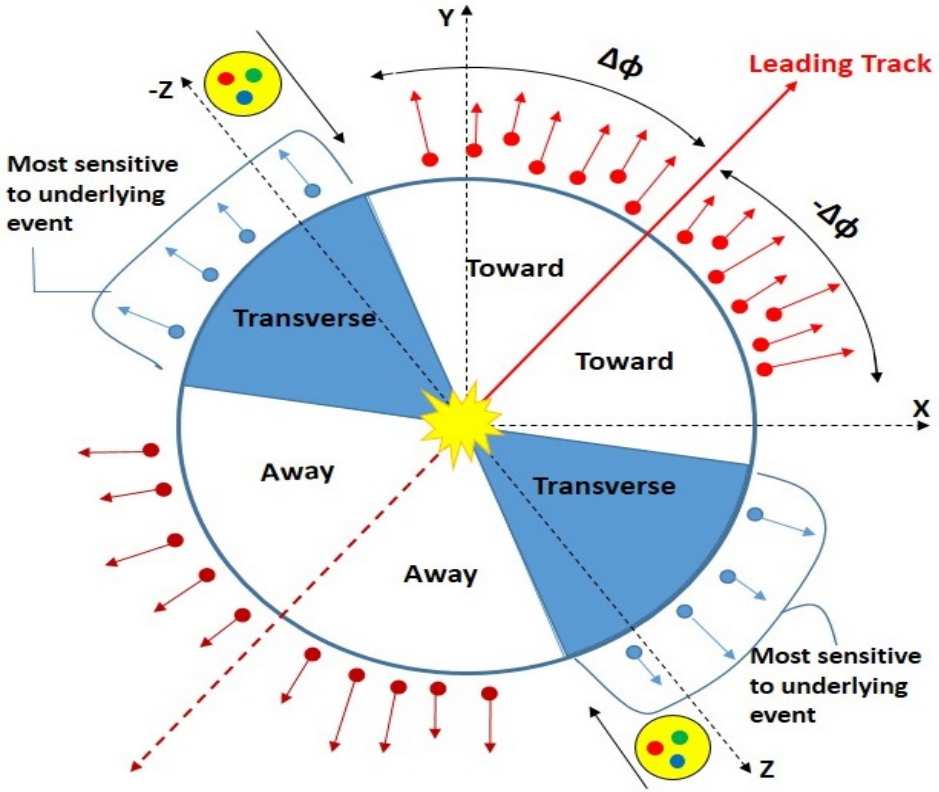
Motivation (Strangeness enhancement)

- Small collision systems (p-p and p-Pb) $\rightarrow$ baseline for heavy ion collisions.
- Strangeness Enhancement $\rightarrow$ Increase in strangeness production as a function of multiplicity across all collision systems.



Motivation (Origin of strangeness enhancement)

- Cause of enhancement
  $\rightarrow$ due to jet fragmentation, or
  $\rightarrow$ due to soft production in the underlying event.
- To Investigate the origin
  $\rightarrow$ Comparison of differential particle ratios in the "Jet peak" (near and away) with the "Underlying event".



Methodology

- Similar work in Run 2 (p-Pb):
  https://alice-notes.web.cern.ch/node/919 (Justin Blair)
- Angular Correlations

$$C(\psi_t, \eta_t, \psi_a, \eta_a) = \frac{P(\psi_t, \eta_t, \psi_a, \eta_a)}{P(\psi_t, \eta_t) * P(\psi_a, \eta_a)} \tag{1}$$

- In terms of $\Delta\eta$ and $\Delta\phi$

$$C(\Delta\eta, \Delta\phi) \approx \frac{S(\Delta\eta, \Delta\phi)}{B(\Delta\eta, \Delta\phi)} \tag{2}$$

  $S(\Delta\eta, \Delta\phi)$ - obtained from same event correlation
  $B(\Delta\eta, \Delta\phi)$ - obtained from mixed event correlation
- Efficiency corrected per-trigger yield is

$$C_{trig}(\Delta\eta, \Delta\phi) \approx \frac{1}{N_{trig}^{corr}} \frac{1}{\epsilon_{trig} * \epsilon_{assoc}} \frac{B(0,0) * S(\Delta\eta, \Delta\phi)}{B(\Delta\eta, \Delta\phi)} \tag{3}$$

Methodology

- Per-trigger hadron-ϕ angular correlation function

$$C_{h-\phi}(\Delta\varphi,\Delta\eta) = k_{\text{Signal}}\Bigg(C_{trig}^{h-(KK)\ \text{Peak}}(\Delta\varphi,\Delta\eta) - \frac{k_{LS}}{2} * \left[\frac{1}{N_{Ent}^{LSB}} C_{trig}^{h-(KK)\ \text{LSB}}(\Delta\varphi,\Delta\eta) + \frac{1}{N_{Ent}^{RSB}} C_{trig}^{h-(KK)\ \text{RSB}}(\Delta\varphi,\Delta\eta)\right]\Bigg) \tag{4}$$

- Per-trigger hadron-hadron angular correlation function

$$C_{h-h}(\Delta\eta,\Delta\phi) \approx \frac{1}{N_{trig}^{corr}} \frac{1}{\epsilon_{trig} * \epsilon_{assoc}} \frac{B(0,0) * S(\Delta\eta,\Delta\phi)}{B(\Delta\eta,\Delta\phi)} \tag{5}$$

Analysis Details

DataSet Used

- LHC22m_apass4

Event Selection

- sel8()
- $|z| < 10$ cm

ϕ Reconstruction

- Decay Channel $\phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$

Trigger Selection

- $p_T \in$ [4.0-8.0] GeV/c

Track Selection

- $p_T > 0.15$ GeV/c
- $|\eta| < 0.8$
- $|dcaZ| < 2$ cm
- $|dcaXY| < 2$ cm
- $tpcNClsCrossedRows > 70$
- PVContributors()

Associated ϕ Selection

- $p_T \in$ (0.0-2.0) GeV/c
- $p_T \in$ (2.0-4.0) GeV/c

Particle Identification

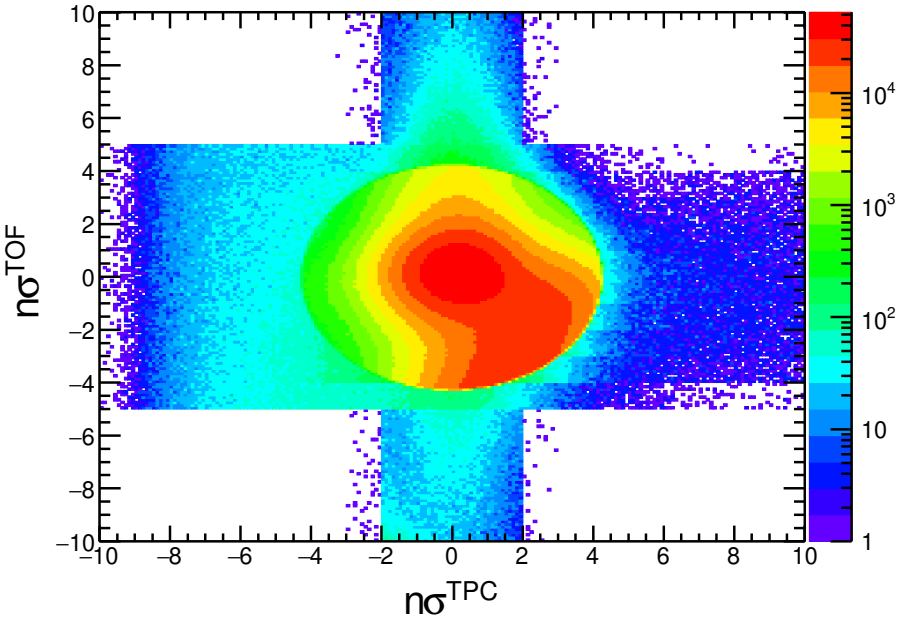
Kaon Identification

Only TPC

- $|n\sigma^{TPC}| < 4$ for $p_T < 0.3$ GeV/c
- $|n\sigma^{TPC}| < 3$ for $p_T < 0.4$ GeV/c
- $|n\sigma^{TPC}| < 2$ for $p_T < 0.6$ GeV/c

TPC+TOF

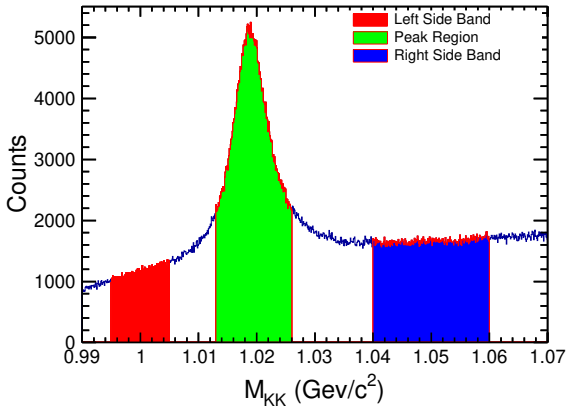
- $|n\sigma^{TOF}| < 5$ for $p_T < 0.7$ GeV/c
- $|n\sigma^{TOF}| < 4$ for $p_T < 0.9$ GeV/c
- $|n\sigma^{TOF}| < 3$ for $p_T < 1.0$ GeV/c
- $|n\sigma^{TOF}| < 2$ for $p_T < 1.1$ GeV/c
- $|n\sigma^{TOF}| < 1$ for $p_T < 1.2$ GeV/c
- $|n\sigma^{TPC}| < 3$
- $|n\sigma^{TOF}| < 3$



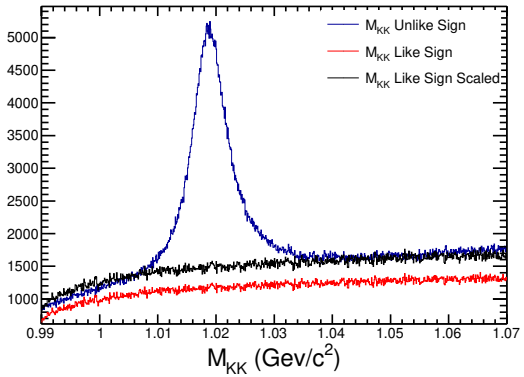
ϕ Meson Reconstruction

Side Band Method

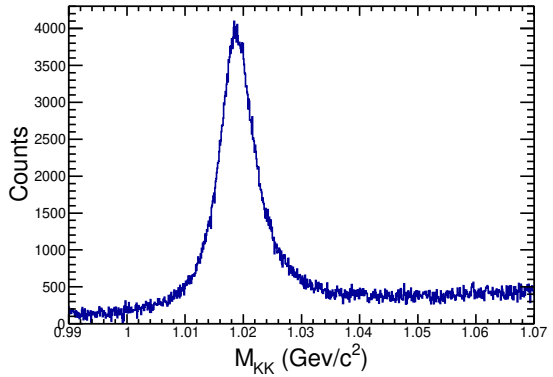
- LSB: $0.995 GeV/c^2 < M_{KK} < 1.005 GeV/c^2$
- Peak: $1.013 GeV/c^2 < M_{KK} < 1.026 GeV/c^2$
- RSB: $1.040 GeV/c^2 < M_{KK} < 1.060 GeV/c^2$



LSB, Peak, RSB regions



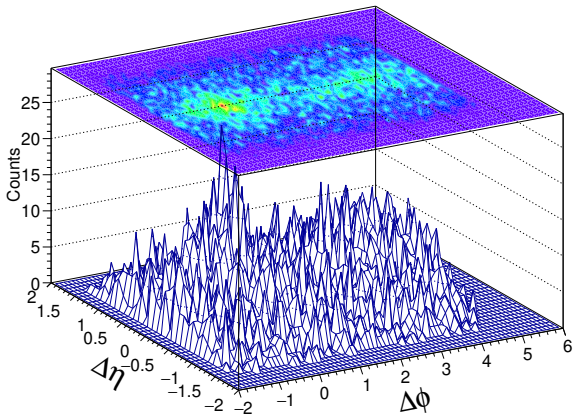
Invariant mass of KK with Background



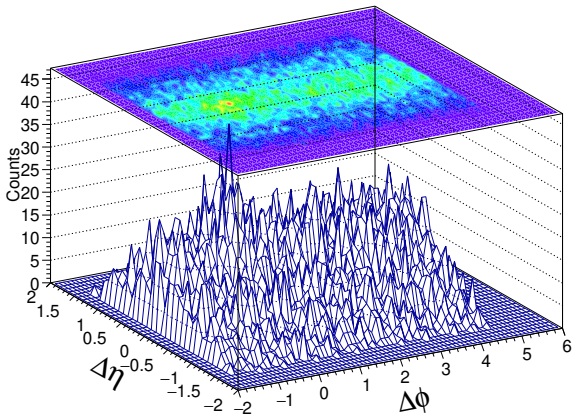
BG removed invariant mass

Hadron-KK correlations (Unlike Sign)(Bulk)

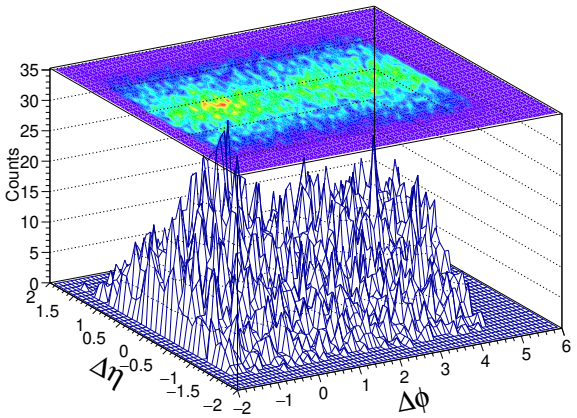
- $K^{\pm}K^{\mp}$ Selection : $p_{T_{K^{\pm}K^{\mp}}} \in$ (0.0 - 2.0) GeV/c
- Trigger Hadron Selection : $p_{T_{hadron}} \in$ [4.0 - 8.0] GeV/c



$S^{Bulk}_{LSB}(\Delta\eta,\Delta\Phi)$



$S^{Bulk}_{Peak}(\Delta\eta,\Delta\Phi)$



$S^{Bulk}_{RSB}(\Delta\eta,\Delta\Phi)$

Hadron-KK correlations (Unlike Sign)

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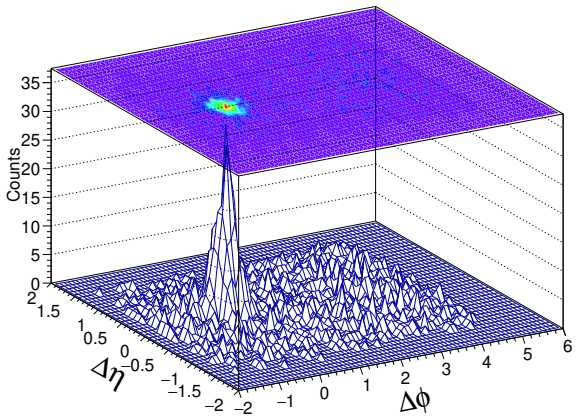
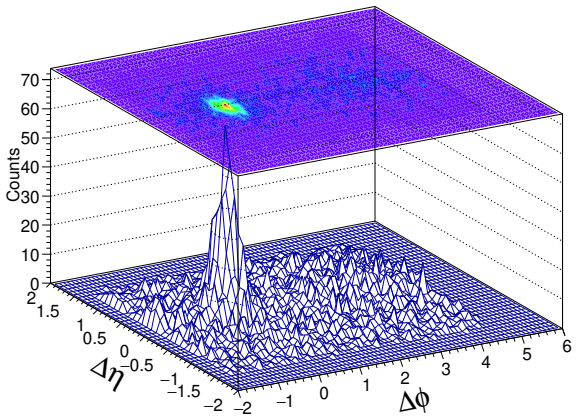
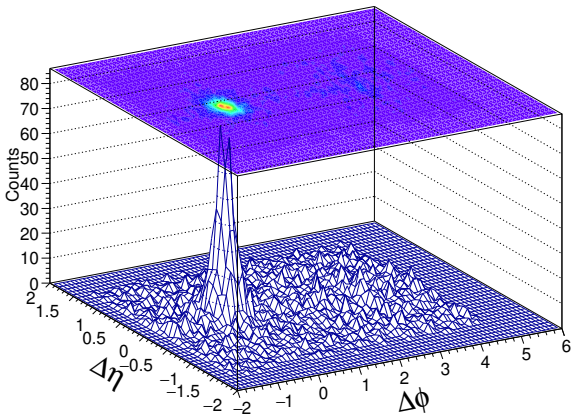
- Trigger Hadron Selection : $p_{T_{hadron}} \in$ [4.0 - 8.0] GeV/c



$S_{LSB}(\Delta\eta,\Delta\Phi)$



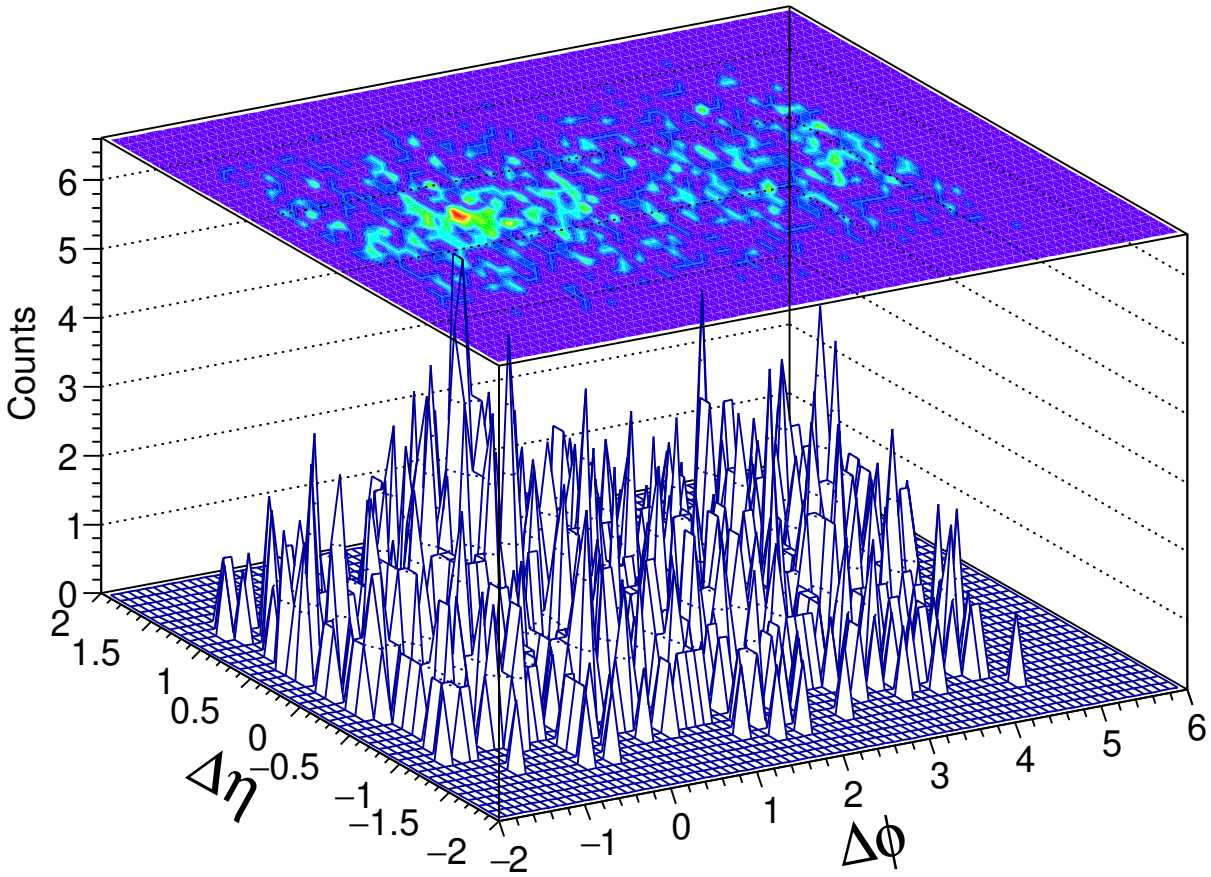
$S_{Peak}(\Delta\eta,\Delta\Phi)$



$S_{RSB}(\Delta\eta,\Delta\Phi)$

ϕ-ϕ correlations

- ϕ $(K^{\pm}K^{\mp})$ Selection : $M_{KK} \in (1.013 - 1.026) GeV/c^2$



$S^{\phi-\phi}(\Delta\eta, \Delta\Phi)$

Summary

- Same event correlation distributions have been obtained.
- Our group is working towards obtaining mixed event correlation distributions from Run 3 data and efficiency corrections using monte carlo data.

Thank you for your attention